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ABSTRACT

A system and method for adjusting forward traffic channel power allocation in a communications system, wherein signal qualities of pilot channels respectively transmitted by multiple base stations in an active set of a mobile station, are measured by the mobile station, compared to a signal quality standard, and the comparison results reported to a system controller, thereby to indicate which of the pilots at the mobile station surpass the standard. The system controller then adjusts the forward channel power allocation based on the comparison results.